

# FROM THE BATTERY TO THE HARLEM RIVER AND BACK ON ASPHALT

This is the **BICYCLE MAP** of New York,  
Showing Where You Can Wheel With-  
out Touching Paving Stones.

Ninety Miles  
A wheel  
on Asphalt  
in  
New York.

## How the City Is Rapidly

Wheelmen and wheelwomen have no reason to complain of the treatment they are nowdays receiving at the hands of the city authorities. Over half a million dollars will be expended for asphalt pavement as soon as the weather permits.

General Collis sent last week to the Board of Estimate plans for the laying of over 150,000 yards of this material, together with the location of the streets and avenues on which it is to be laid. These plans were approved by the Board.

In addition plans will, in a few days, be presented for more work of this character, including the resurfacing of upper Seventh avenue. So the enthusiastic cyclist will shortly be able to ride within the city limits for miles and miles without once crossing the paving stones.

There are 152,000 yards of asphalt to be laid under the plans now approved. This represents about 894 miles of smooth surface that will be a first rate cycling road.

Reference to the accompanying map will show the streets and avenues of this city that are now, or which will be when the work now approved is completed, in proper condition for wheeling. It is a good thing to paste in a bicyclist's cap.

The work soon to be commenced will elevate to the class of bicycle roads the following streets and avenues:

Exchange place, Broad to William street.  
Day street, Greenwich to Broadway.  
Roosevelt street, Park row to Water street.

Jay street, Hudson to West street and Staple street, Harrison to Duane street.  
Market street, Division to Cherry street.  
Bleecker street, Crosby street to Bowery.  
Charles street, west to Greenwich avenue.

Jane street, West street to Greenwich avenue.

## Being Gridironed with

Eleventh street, University place to Sixth avenue.

Fifteenth street, Sixth to Tenth avenue.  
Nineteenth street, Sixth to Seventh avenue.

Twentieth street, Fourth avenue to Broadway.

Twenty-ninth street, Fifth to Lexington avenue.

Thirty-second street, Fifth to Tenth avenue.

Forty-third street, Sixth avenue to Broadway.

Forty-seventh street, Seventh to Eighth avenue.

Fifty-second street, Sixth to Eighth avenue.

Broadway, Fifty-eighth street, to Circle.

Fifty-eighth street, Third avenue to Avenue A.

Sixty-third street, Park avenue to Avenue A, except between Lexington and Third avenues.

Columbus avenue, Sixty-third to Sixty-sixth street.

Sixty-third street, Columbus avenue to Boulevard.

## Asphalt Pavements, and

Sixty-sixth street, Columbus avenue to Boulevard.

Eighty-third street, Central Park, West to Riverside Drive.

Seventy-sixth street, Avenue A to Madison avenue, except between Third and Lexington avenues.

Eighty-fifth street, Fifth avenue to Avenue A, except Madison to Fourth avenue.

Nineteenth street, Third to Fifth avenue.

One Hundred and Fourth street, Fifth to First avenue.

One Hundred and Twentieth street, Lenox to Seventh avenue.

One Hundred and Twenty-first street, Lexington to Third avenue.

One Hundred and Thirty-seventh street, Fifth to Madison avenue.

Fifth avenue, One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street to One Hundred and Thirty-

## How the Streets Will Look

seventh street.

Now you can start out at Harlem River and ride to the Battery and back without leaving an asphalt pavement, but the routes are restricted.

If, however, the plans now under consideration by General Collis are adopted, the wheelman will soon be able to completely encircle New York on asphalt roads, as it is intended to continue this work until the city is entirely surrounded.

## BORN ON FEBRUARY 22,

Father, Mother and Six Children Celebrate Their Births on the Same Day.

In the little town of Eaton, Pa., lives Elbert Woodward, a living fulfillment of a remarkable coincidence. He first saw the light of day February 22, 1829. Beginning with the date of his birth, it seems that

## When Gen. Collis's

the Father of His Country has kept a watchful eye on Elbert Woodward every day for the last sixty-eight years.

Woodward was married on February 22 to a woman who, like himself, was born on that date. Their first child, a boy, was born on Washington's birthday, exactly one year to a day after their marriage, and two years afterward, on the same date, twins—a boy and a girl—were added to the Washington-blessed household.

Five years rolled around, when on the fifth anniversary of their wedding another infant, a little girl, was added to their blessings. The fifth child and sixth child, another pair of twins, came around on schedule time, two years later exactly, and upon the seventh anniversary of the wedded life began on the natal day of our first President.

Mr. Woodward is very proud of the lucky coincidence that has connected his name and that of his family so inseparably with that of Washington. It is doubtful if there is another case on record where a father, his wife and six children all claim one birthday, and that, too, one of the most historical in the whole calendar.

## Comprehensive Scheme to Give Wheelmen All the

## SOVEREIGNS WHO CAN SPAR.

The best boxer of the royal family of England is the Duke of York, who, in spite of his frail physique, is remarkably clever with his fists, excelling even his uncle, the soldier Duke of Connaught, 1st son of Queen Victoria, and his athletic cousin, Prince Christian of Schleswig-Holstein.

The Duke acquired his knowledge while at sea, and his first instructor was the well-known lightweight, Henry Feltham, who served with the Prince for a time as a sailor on board the Bacchante, England's future King is exceedingly quick with his dukes, and it is seldom that a day passes without his indulging in a bout with the gloves, spending many an hour sparring with his equestrian, Sir Charles Cnst and the Hon. Dvrek Keppel.

The Prince of Wales himself was taught boxing by the orders of his father before he went to Oxford and Cambridge. But there is no record whatsoever of his having put the knowledge thus acquired to any practical use. Perhaps it is because he is too near the throne.

The continental courts where boxing finds most favor are those of Copenhagen, St. Petersburg and Athens. In Denmark it is the sailor prince Waldemar who is the champion boxer of the reigning house, although he is run pretty close by his nephew, Prince Charles, who married Princess Maud of Wales last Summer.

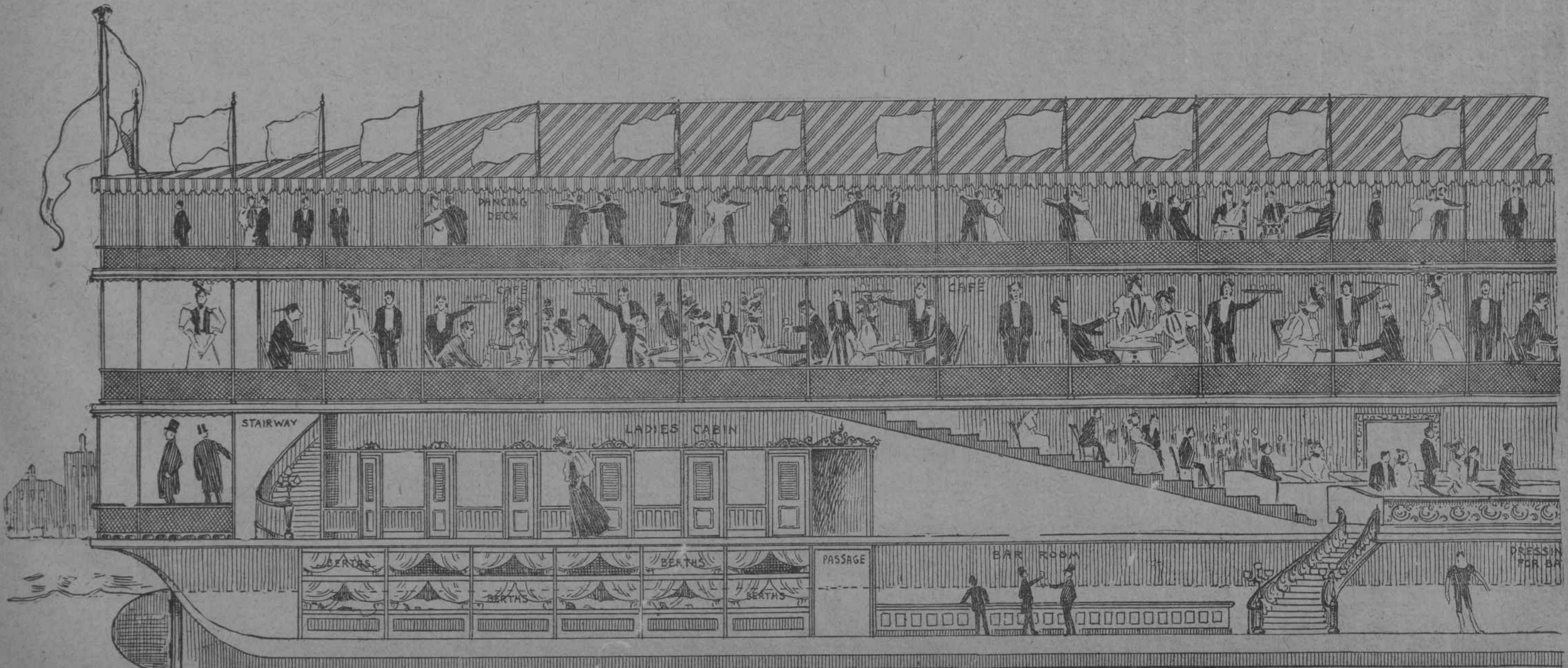
Waldemar was the only one who used to be able to meet the late Czar upon an equal footing, as far as hard hitting was con-

cerned, and on one memorable occasion a bout between these two royal brothers-in-law took place between the acts in the private tea room of the royal family at the court theatre at Copenhagen, which resulted in Alexander being knocked out to such an extent that some difficulty was experienced in getting him on his legs again.

It is somewhat surprising that boxing should still be indulged in by the reigning house of Russia, for the lives of two of its most notable members may be said to have been sacrificed to the art. The elder brother of the late Czar died on the eve of the date appointed for his marriage from the effects of a terrible blow in the region of the lungs received in the course of a friendly boxing encounter with Alexander. Much of the gloomy and sombre side of the latter's character throughout his reign was due to the fact that he regarded himself as being in a great measure responsible for the death of his brother, whose bride he was forced by political and dynastic considerations to marry himself.

By a strange coincidence the younger brother of the present Czar, the Czarewitch George, is dying of tuberculosis of the lungs, due to causes that are identical with those which brought about the death of his uncle Nicholas. For it was while sparring with his elder brother, the now reigning Czar, while on their way from Egypt to Bombay, that the Grand Duke George received the injury to the lungs which originated the incurable malady to which he is now slowly but surely succumbing.

# THE PROPOSED FLOATING PALACE FOR NEW YORKERS--



NEXT SUMMER, IF EVERYTHING GOES WELL, GOTHAMITES WILL HAVE ALL THE COOLNESS AND PRIVACY OF A FAR